

REMARKS

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 9, 2007. Claims 11-13 have been canceled. Claims 1-10 and 14 are pending.

Applicants thank the Examiner for withdrawing the rejections as noted in the Office Action.

35 USC §112, Second Paragraph Rejection and Claim Objections

Claims 11-13 are rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph as indefinite. Additionally, claims 11-13 are objected to as failing to further limit the previous claim. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections and objections.

Claims 11-13 are directed to physical stability of the composition and claim 1 related to enzyme stability. Therefore, claims 11-13 further limit claim 1. Nevertheless, claims 11-13 have been canceled solely to advance prosecution. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this rejection and objection be withdrawn.

Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejection

The Office Action has rejected multiple claims under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. Applicant is submitting a terminal disclaimer disclaiming the term beyond the expiration date of U.S. Pat. No. 6,624,132 and U.S. Pat. Application Serial No.10/208,404 (US 2003-0087787). Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn. A credit card has been charged for \$130.00 each being the terminal disclaimer fee.

Summary

It is respectfully submitted that each of the pending claims is in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is kindly requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the

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